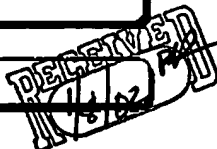


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UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 9, 2001 and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.111, applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 1 – 8 without prejudice.

Kindly add the following new claims:

9. (New) A system for providing a graphical user interface for a component based application program, comprising:

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